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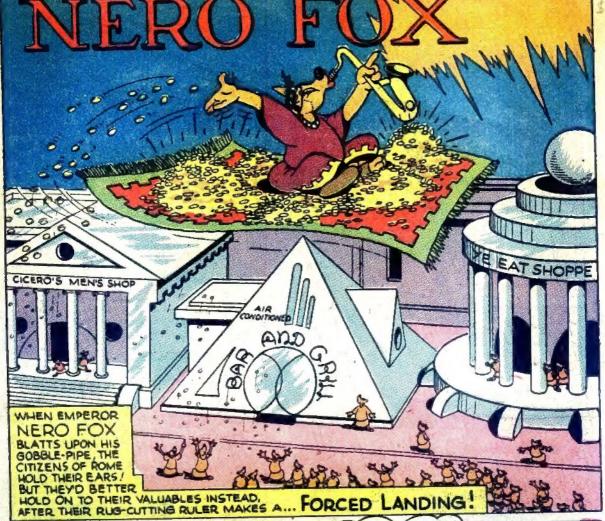
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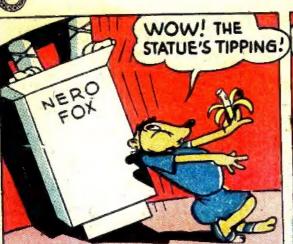


























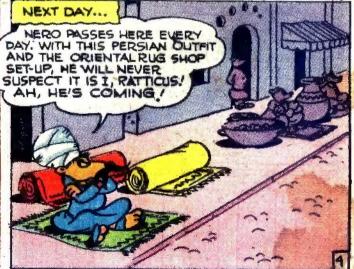






























































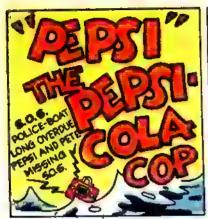












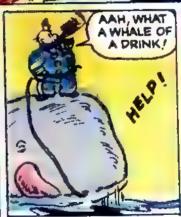












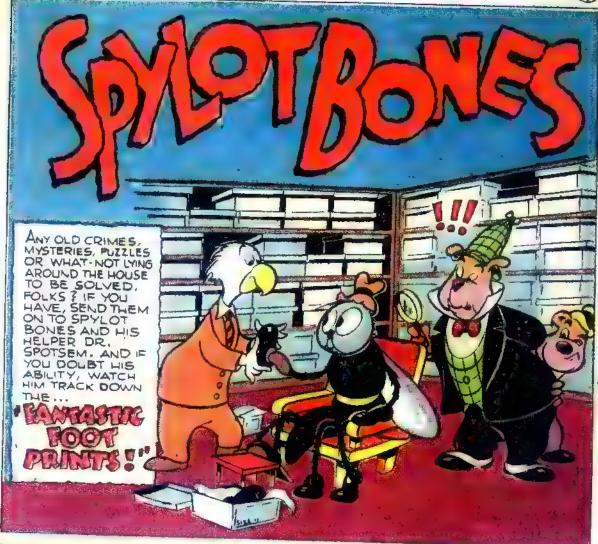
































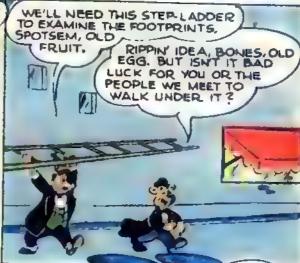






























































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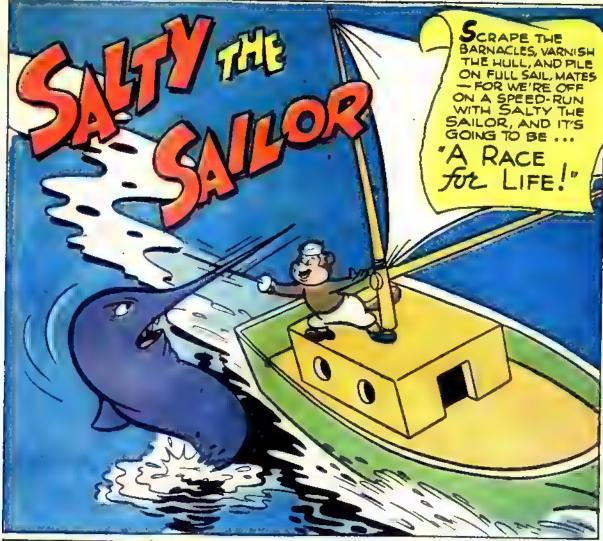
I SAY OLD CHAP, LET ME
SLIP YOU THESE FEW
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OF YOU, OLD
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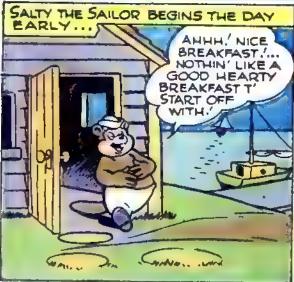






































BUT, MAN, I TELL
YE THIS SWORD-FISH
IS THE MOST DANGER.
OUS SEA-CRITTER
SWIMMIN!
HE - IT'S TIME FOR THE
RACE!































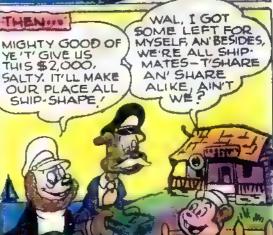






















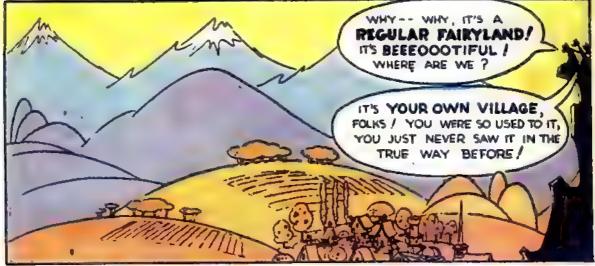












































































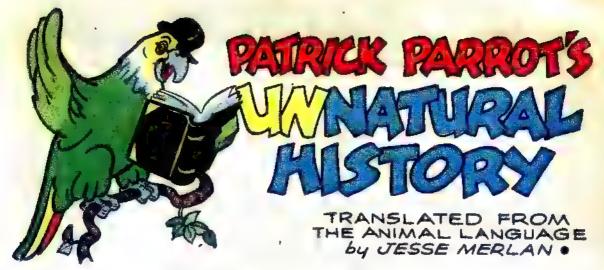












HOW ELEPHANTS GOT SO NOSEY

EVERYBODY in the forest was happy because Elmer was helping them again. And it was easy for Elmer. All he had to do was lift his long and strong nose up to the fruits and berries and tender leaves on the trees and pull them down for the forest folk to feed on. A gay picnic was going on . . and all because Elmer Elephant had such a long nose

As Elmer tugged and yanked at the tasty golden fruits and chewy leaven, the deer and zebras and small folk below caught the tasty shower in their mouths and paws. CRASH! Down came a dozen dinners. A tiny prairie dog nibbled at three luscious red berries and a gentle deer started to mix himself a crisp salad of bright green leaves.

Suddenly a gruff voice called a sharp warning.

"Careful, big boy! Or you'll rip down my nest and whole treehouse!" It was Patrick Parrot, and Elmer had just broken off a bough right below Pat's usual perch.

Big Elmer twinkled his little eyes up at Patrick "Sorry, Pat I forgot this was your tree I'll just move over here and pluck some ripe bananas for my forest pals." And the huge elephant shuffled over to a giant banana plant that was growing nearby.

"Shure and begorra, and that's all right," quickly arlawered Irish blue-eyed and green-feathered Patrick Parrot "You didn't mean any harm, and that bough was always in my way anyhow."

By this time the crowd of merry feasters had had enough lunch. And besides, Pat's voice reminded them that they hadn't heard one of his stories for quite a while. So when one of the zebras stopped chewing long enough to ask Pat a question, everybody listened

"Say, Pat," the zebra wondered out loud, "I wonder if elephants always had such a long trunk-nose. Or do you happen to know how elephants got that way?"

Even Elmer Elephant paused from his leaf-munching, and the whole forest was silent as they all waited for Pat's answer.

Pat rocked back from one foot to the other and cleared his throat "HARUMPHH! Now let me see . . I think I remember an old true-fable my great-grandgrandpappy once told me. Yes... It all comes back to me now."

Philo Fox happened to be passing just at that moment. "Humph!" Philo snorted in disgust. "Whenever that parrot says he recalls a story, why, it just means that he's going to start stretching the truth till it spells L-I-E" (You see, Philo Fox doesn't like Pat Parrot because Pat's always after Philo to end his foxy ways and stop chasing Farmer Brown's hens and roosters.)

But Elmer Elephant squeaked a quick interruption to Philo's speech "You keep quiet, Philo! If Pat knows a story about elephants, I want to hear it. Shush!"

From up on his perch, Pat howed politely to Elmer Elephant. "Thank you, sir Since you've quieted that fresh chicken-chaser, I'm ready to tell about Ancestor Elephant and how he got his long trunk-nose

"You see," continued Pat smoothly in the silence that followed, "elephants didn't always have a nozzle-schnozzle. (Haha, Elmer! No offense! Just a little joke in slang. Okay?)"

Elmer flopped his fan-shaped ears to show he could take a joke.

"Yes-sir," went on Patrick, "that nose any elephant wears to-day was once just a little button no bigger than a bear-nose or a zebra-nose or a cow-nose. But drillions of years ago an Ancestor Elephant named Eddie got nosey. And I mean that both ways. That Eddie Elephant went about poking his nose into everything—and he also finally wound up long-nosey.

"It happened this way: Eddie Elephant was fond of peanuts. Maybe too fond of them, because one day he discovered a squirrel village-tree that was stuffed full of peanuts. And Eddie Ancestor Elephant promptly stuck his nose in on those peanuts and began to nibble away. (Remember, folks, Eddie's nose was still just a short, little, tiny nose). And by the time Eddie's huge appetite was satisfied, why there weren't any peanuts left in that squirrel store-house.

"Not that Eddie Ancestor Elephant meant to be dishonest. As a matter of fact, when the squirrels came angrily chirping and scolding to their empty storehouse, Eddie was quite ashamed of himself. He offered to replace those peanuts with oak-acorns or walnuts. but the squirrels just



wouldn't listen. Those tiny 'squirrels screamed so loudly and dropped so many dead leaves and twigs on Eddie's eyes that they finally chased him away.

"And then they held a squirrelcouncil to see what had to be done. They debated and argued back and forth and finally decided that they had to teach Eddie Peanut-Grabber Elephant a lesson, And this is what they did.

"They got ten of their best carpenters to build a nose trap in a tremendous ironwood tree deep in the forest. Those mechanics and carpenter-squirrels rigged up a powerful trap that could close SNAP! and hold even elephants. (And besides, even a little trap would have done it; you all know how sensitive all noses are.) Anyway, those squirrels baited that trap with the biggest and tenderest peanuts they could find, and then they put up a sign on that trap-tree that said EDDIE ELE-PHANT KEEP OUT! PERSON-AL SOUIRREL PROPERTY!

"And then the squirrels hid in the trees nearby to wait for results. (If you think the squirrels were cruel, just remember that Eddie had eaten three winters' supply of food. And anyway, don't be sad . . because this story has a happy ending)

"Well, mighty soon along came Eddie, looking for something to poke his little nose into. And that squirrel sign caught his eye . . . and . . . yessir, sure enough . . . Eddie Ancestor Short-Nosed Elephant jammed his nose-tip right into that peanut-baited squirrel trap.

"SNAPP!!! The trap slammed shut, and Eddie Elephant was caught by the nose. He jumped about four feet in the air and



snorted and pulled and pulled and pulled and pulled. And his nose kept stretching and lengthening and stretching so-o-o l-o-n-g . . . until finally Eddie yanked his sore nose loose.

"But although it was a sore nose, it wasn't a short nose. 'Cause all that pulling and stretching had made StubNosed Eddie Ancestor Elephant into Long-Trunled Eddie.

"So that's how elephants got so nosey," Pat Parrot ended his story, The forest folk audience broke into applause

And before Philo Fox could call Patrick a fibber, Elmer Elephant spoke up "Me, I'm glad that happened to my ancestor Eddie, Don't I have a fine, long, strong, useful trunk now instead of a stubby nose? I can reach peanuts and nuts and leaves better with it, too. And I want to thank all squirrels for what they did for all elephants."

And as Pat Parrot smiled down, a trny squirrel held up a fat peanut to Elmer, and Elmer took it and gave the grey squirrel a fatter oak-acorn in exchange.

"See?" beamed Patrick with a chuckling laugh, "Squirrels and elephants have been friends ever since that long-ago day. Didn't I tell you this story had a happy ending?"

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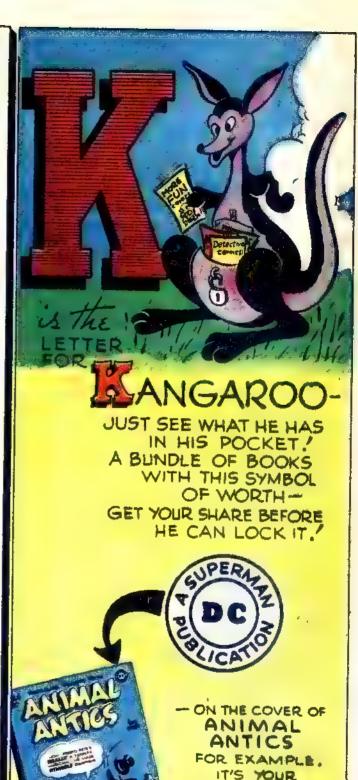
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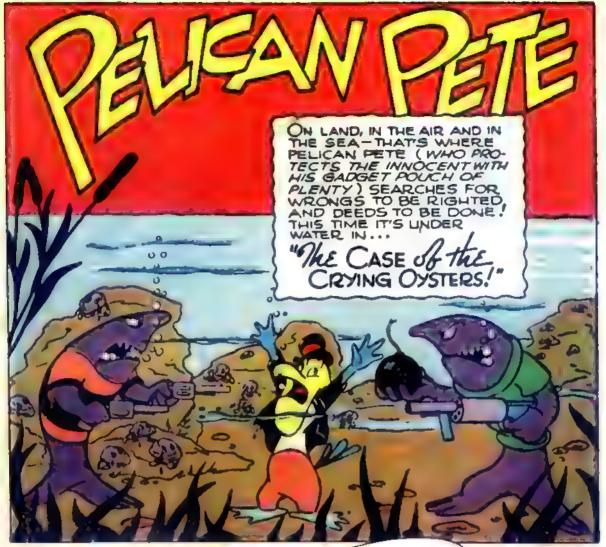
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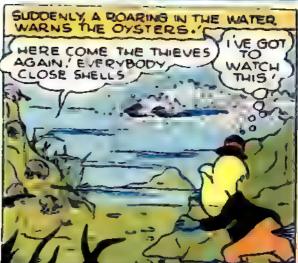






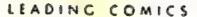




























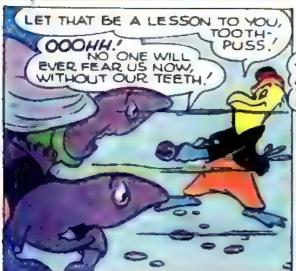








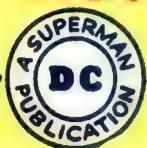






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NOT A CHANCE: SIR SCRAMSELOT ALWAYS SCRAMS-SIR SQUARER HED IS GAME BUT GOOFY-SIR AWGO-WAN LEADS WITH HIS CHIN-











WHEEE THIS I'LL MAKE US
IS SO GOOD,
I HATE TO
GIVE IT TO SET THIS UP OUT ON
KING THE PLAIN THAT
BRAWNE'S ARMY
WILL COME BY.
WHOA, ELSIE.

PRESENTLY ON THE PLAIN GEFORE CAMELOT...

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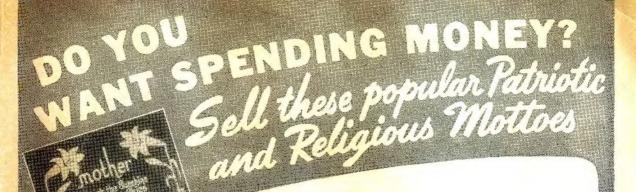
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